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For : Embedding and Encapsulation of Sensitive Components into a Matrix to Obtain Discrete Controlled Release Particles

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114 IN RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION OF APRIL 28, 2009

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Sir

This is in response to the Final Office Action from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office having a date of April 28, 2009, which sets a three month shortened statutory period for response until July 28, 2009.

This Amendment is being filed as the Submission of a Request for Continued Examination which is being filed concurrently herewith.

This response is being filed by the initial due date for response, whereby an extension of time and the government fee associated therewith should not be required to maintain the pendency of the application. However, if any extension of time and/or any fee is required to maintain the pendency of the application, this is an express request for any required extension of time and authorization to charge any necessary fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

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Reconsideration and allowance of the application in view of the following remarks are respectfully requested.